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A PERSONAL NOTE: Many thanks for the holiday cards. I hope you all had a safe and quiet holiday season.

SECOND REVISED ULTIMATE HISTORY: Just a reminder that this book was originally written in 1992 and is the first and original book listing Network radio programming and the shows that are in circulation.

The 2001 “2nd, Revised Ultimate History” is now available. The cost is \$47 plus \$4 for new buyers and \$37 plus \$4 for those that bought the 1996 version and all 4 supplements (Orange Cover).

CONVENTION 2002: Dates are Oct 24 - 27, 2002 at the Holiday Inn-North, Newark, NJ. If you have any ideas for our planning meeting which will be held February 24th at the Holiday Inn-North, please let me know by email or letter.

CONVENTION 2001: 2001 pens are available for \$1.00 each plus \$.34 postage. FOTR microphone key chains which we gave out in 2000 to all registrants are available for \$1.55 including P&H. Special 25th Anniversary small desk clocks are available for \$5 including P&H. Convention Booklets are \$2.50 each including P&H.

(From Gary Yogg) The document that I quoted from in my presentation on the radio coverage of Pearl Harbor purporting to be a Dec. 8, 1941 broadcast by Edward R. Murrow has been discovered to be actually an article written for the NATIONAL REVIEW by Victor Davis Hanson. He used the device to "lampoon" calls for understanding and cautious diplomacy rather than military action in response to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Murrow was technically "on vacation" in Washington at that time and made no broadcast on that date although he had been personally briefed by FDR while visiting the White House for dinner the night before. Unfortunately, I received this document as an email from a trusted colleague at another institution and although I could not verify it from the published broadcasts of Murrow neither could I disprove it so I used it. Never will I make such a mistake again!!! There are "Urban Legend" web sites to check such information and I will use them in the future. My apologies for misleading anyone who attended my presentation.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED: A complete list of publications mentioned with addresses, contact people, etc. is one of the introductory pages in my current Ultimate History. It is also part of a small package mailed with your first Hello Again. If you don't have one, email me for it and I will email it to you. If you don't have email, please send me a SASE for it.

SPERDVAC Radiogram; Nov; articles about Frederic W Ziv; Little Orphan Annie...**Jot 'em Down Journal**, December; story of Lum and Abner's 1961 TV pilot...**RCA Newsletter**, Nov; Article about Russell Arms...**Return With Us Now**, Dec; article about Christmas programs...**Radio Recall**, Dec; articles about Captain Midnight's Pocket Locator; Virginia Gregg; Radio's Bloopers...**Illustrated Press**, Dec; article about Gene Autry's horse, Champion (Reprint)...**Tradition**, Nov - Dec; articles about Johnny Horton; Wilf Carter; "John Henry"...**RLL On the Air**, Dec; articles about The Greatest Story Ever Told; Phil Harris (both reprints)...**Nostalgia Digest**, Feb – Mar; articles about Eddie "Rochester" Anderson; Jay Andres; Bing Crosby; Those Were the Days Radio Players...**Old Time Radio Digest**, Spring, 2001; article about Mr. Keen...**Return With is Now**, Jan; article about Dick Tracy

BOOKS: (Most books can also be purchased at <www.lofcom.com/nostalgia/books/>, <Amazon.com> or <Barnesandnoble.com>. **Greenwood Publishing Group** (Box 5007, Westport, CT 06881) has published many bio-bibliographies in the performing arts. James Robert Parish is the series editor. 79 have been published. For a list or to order call 1-800-225-5800 or 1-203-226-3571.. **Bob Burnham** has released a third volume of **A Technical Guide to Old-time Radio & Audio Production** (2002 Edition). This is a follow-up to the long out of print Listening Guide to Classic Radio of 15 years ago. The new volume is 94 pages (19 sections) with information about how to collect old-time radio shows, advice on getting the best sound from equipment available today, how computers fit into the picture, and many other topics. Some of the content was featured in his column in NARA News and on the BRC web site (www.brcradio.com). There is also lots of history on OTR collecting and commentary about some of OTR's controversial issues. Also included is selected reprinted material from the previous edition and from ListeningGuide Newsletter. More information on the book is available at www.brcradio.com/techguide3.html. Or send check or money order for \$10 plus \$5 shipping/handling to BRC Productions, P.O. BOX 158, Dearborn Hts., MI 48127-0158...**The Last Renaissance Man** by Robert Lockwood Mills. This is the story of Charles Mullen, CEO of the American Tobacco company. Why this book? Charles Mullen was on radio during his early life, playing Archie Andrews among other roles. This is discussed in the book. Charles also was a guest at one of our FOTR convention. The book is published by Rutledge Books, Danbury CT. (203) 778-5925. Cost is \$17.95...**Bill Owen's, The Over 60 Trivia Book**, 2001, St. Johann Press; available at bookstores and on line; 361 questions with answers...**The Moose That Roared** by Keith Scott; the story of Jay Ward, Rocky and Bullwinkle and other Jay Ward creations; Thomas Dunne Books (division of St. Martin's Press) (212-674-5151) Ext 207; 2001; 480 pages; includes all information you could imagine plus bios of voices including radio actors; \$17.00...**The Early Days of Radio Broadcasting** by George Douglas; McFarland (1 -800-253-2187) or (336-246-4460), 2001 (Paperback); originally printed in 1987), 256 pages; a thorough informative book of radio in the 1920's. Cost is \$25...**Radio Network Prime time Programming, 1926 – 1967** by Mitchell Shapiro, McFarland, 2002, 640 pages; Cost is \$95. It lists a month-by-month prime time (7 to 11 pm) schedule from January 1929 through July 1961 for all networks.

CONVENTIONS:

2002 Williamsburg Film Festival (WFF), February 28, March 1 & 2, 2002; Location: Holiday Inn, Patriot, Williamsburg, VA. (800-446-6001); For up-to-date info, go to the WFF web site: <http://go.to/williamsburgfilmfestival>

16th Annual OTR and Nostalgia Convention, Apr 19 – 20, 2002 at the Radisson Hotel in Cincinnati. Contact Bob Burchett, 10280 Gunpowder Rd., Florence, KY 41042 (859) 282-0333.<haradio@hotmail.com>

14TH RADIO CLASSICS LIVE! May 3-4, 2002 Massasoit Community College - Buckley Center, Brockton, MA; Contact: Buckley Center Box Office, 1 Massasoit Blvd., Brockton, MA 02302 (508) 427-1234

30th. Anniversary celebration of the Golden Radio Buffs is coming up on May 4, 2002 FROM 5-9 pm. There will be an Awards Ceremony, plus dedication of a Memorial Plaque to the GRB Media Members who have passed away. We are raffling off a Vintage "Superman" radio. Tickets are by reservation, only and are: \$18.50 member, \$20.00 non-member and \$25.00 at the door. For ticket reservations and further information, call Gene Leitner, (410) 477-3051

National Audio Theater Festival, May 26 – June 1, 2002, Southwest Missouri State University.,West Plains, MO; For information call Sue Zizza, 115 Dikeman St., Hempstead, NY 11550 (516) 483-8321 <Suemedia1@aol.com>. They also have a script contest.

Memphis Western Film Festival, June 13 – 15, 2002 at Holiday Inn, Select, Memphis, TN; Contact Ray Nielsen, Box 87, Conway, Arkansas <rnielsen@alltel.net> or on the web at <www.memphisfilmfestival.com>

18th Annual Lum and Abner Convention June 14 – 15, 2002 in Mena, Arkansas at the Best Western Lime Tree Inn. For information contact Tim Hollis, 81 Sharon Blvd., Dora, AL 35062

(205) 648-6110 <CampHoll@aol.com>

REPS Radio Showcase X, June 28 and 29, 2002 at the Seattle Center, Seattle Washington.
Contact Mike Sprague, Box 723, Bothell, WA 98041 (425) 488-9518 <hrrmikes@aol.com>

27th Friends of Old-time Radio Convention, Oct 24 – 27 at the Holiday Inn-North,
Newark, NJ; For information contact Jay Hickerson, Box 4321, Hamden, CT 06514 (203) 248-2887
<JayHick@aol.com>

THE INTERNET: Many of my subscribers are on the Internet. If you want to get on the mailing list for the Old Time Radio Digest (Round table) on the Internet, e-mail to this address:
<old.time.radio-request@oldradio.net>...

WEB SITES: Various OTR Web sites will be posted. Most begin with <www.> Let me know what yours is: **Lou Genco** (many collectors have their sites here including Vintage Broadcasts; Ted Davenport; Ed Carr; Fred Berney; Pat McCoy) <old-time.com>...**Jim Widner** <otr.com> (Radio Days)...**Metro Golden Memories** <mgtmemories.com>... **BCR (Bob Burnham)** <brcradio.com/>...**Ted Kneebone** <geocities.com/tkneebone1>...**Jerry Haendiges** <otrsite.com/radiolog/index.html>...**John Cooper** <angelfire.com/wv/otrmagic/index.html> ...**Australian Film and Sound** <Screensound.gov.au>...**Owens Pomeroy (Golden Radio Buffs)** (not www) <members.aol.com/grbmd>... **OTR Digest** <www.lofcom.com/nostalgia/books/>...**Jack Benny Fan Club** <Jackbenny.org>...**Radio Broadcast Chronicles** <gna.net/tia>...**Tom Heathwood** <HeritageRadio.com>... **First Generation Archives** <radioarchives.org>...**Radio Enthusiasts of Puget Sound** <repsonline.org>...**Terry Salomonson** <audio-classic.com>
<digitalotr.com>...The **OTR Club** now has a web page at
<http://www2.pcom.net/robmcd/otrbuffalo/>

CATALOGS AND NEW SHOWS (All addresses first): McCoy's Recording (Pat McCoy), Box 1069, Richland, WA 99352...**Jerry Haendiges**, 13808 Sunset Dr., Whittier, CA 90602 <JHaendiges@aol.com> ...**Roger Hill's "Nothing's New"** 711 San Mateo Ave., San Bruno, CA 94066 (650) 871-6063...**Vintage Broadcasts** (Andy Blatt), Box 50065, Staten Island, NY 10305 (1-800-418-1445)...**Radio Memories** (Ted Davenport), 1600 Wewoka St., North Little Rock, AR 72116 (501) 835-0465 <Tedotr@aol.com>...**Great American Radio (GAR)** (Garry Kramer), Box 504, Genesee, MI 48437...**Bequaert Old Books**, Box 775, Fitzwilliam, NH 03447 (603) 585-3448 <www.beqbooks.com>; send 2 34-cents stamps for a catalog of books and magazines on OTR...**Metro Golden Memories**, 5414 W. Addison St., Chicago, IL 60641 (1-800-538-6675)...**AVPRO** (Don Aston), Box 1392, Lake Elsinore, CA 92531 (1-888-3328776)...**Radio Spirits**, Box 2141, Schiller Park, IL 60176...**Redmond Nostalgia Co.** (David Kiner), Box 82, Redmond, WA 98073...**SPERDVAC Library** (Box 7177, Van Nuys, CA 91409)...**Travis Conner**, 1311 Avon Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45229 <connertm@cinternet.net>...**John Barber**, 1318 Dauphine St., New Orleans, LA 70116 (504) 586-1931... **Vintage Audio** (Tom Martin), 461 Maple Ave., Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 (518) 584-1112 <Thomasmartin2@compuserve.com>...**John Cooper** Rt 1 Box 371, Clarksburg, WV 26301 <Mysto99@aol.com>...**Gordon Payton (The Scifi Guy)**, #114 E Cuthbert Blvd., Westmont, NJ 08108 <thescifiguy@juno.com>...**Satellite Video Production (Fred Berney)** Box 638, Walkersville, MD 21793 (1-800-747-0856) <Berney@fred.net>...**BCR Productions** (Bob Burnham), Box 158, Dearborn, MI 48127 <platecap@brcradio.com> <www.brcradio.com>...**Hello Again Radio** (Bob Burchett), 10280 Gunpowder Rd., Florence, KY 41042...**Audio Classic Archive (Terry Salomonson)**, Box 347, Howell, MI 48844 <audio-classic.com>...**Lodestone** (Richard Fish), 611 Empire Mill Rd., Bloomington, IN 47401; 1-800-411-6463 <lodestone-media.com> (Deals in New Audio Theater...)**Ed Carr**, 216 Shaner St., Boyertown, PA 19512 <ed-carr@enter.net>...**Dan Riedstra**, 2830 North Rockwell St., Chicago, IL 60618 <daniel.riedstra@wcom.com>

All listings below list sampling of shows. **Vintage Broadcasts**, Oct – Nov; Our Miss Brooks; Can You Imagine That?Yours Truly, Johnny Dollar. **Arlene Osborne**, 61 Hampstead Rd., Sandown, NH 03873 <Osborneam@aol.com> has 2 new Let's Pretend: 4/16/49 (Snowdrop and the 7 Dwarves) and 8/16/52 (The White Cat)...**Dick Olday**, 171 Parwood Trl., Depew, NY 14043

<raolday@earthlink.net> has 3 new Houseboat Hannah (1939) 6/16, 6/19, 11/9...Vintage Broadcasts; Christmas shows; Rocky Fortune,,,Great American Radio; Vic and Sade; Theater Five; X-1; Fibber McGee and Molly; Suspense...Audio Classics Archive; Lone Ranger; Escape; Phil Harris; Challenge of the Yukon (all on CD)

NEW FRIENDS AND RETURNEES: Alan Feinstein, 1727 Bergen St., Philadelphia, PA 19152...Keith Scott, 84 Killarney Dr., Killarney Hts 2087, NSW, Australia
<kscott@intercoast.com.au> is seeking copies (or photocopies) of the 1940s publication, "National Radio Artists Directory," particularly any copies from the 1945-50 period. He will pay for any. Keith recently wrote a book "**The Moose That Roared**" available in paperback. It is a history of Jay Ward's TV cartoons and contains some information about radio actors such as Bill Conrad, Paul Frees and June Foray (St. Martin's Press, NY)...Rita Kerrigan, 57-31 Catalpa Ave., Ridgewood, NY 11385...Wayne Morris, 6221 N Viewmont Dr., Tacoma, WA 98407 ...Jerry Austin, 4312 Pearl Ct., Cypress, CA 90630...Anthony Blair, 9443 Brandon Rd., Newport, MI 48166...Ellen Barker, 101 Royal Oaks Dr., St. Paul, MO 63366...Kathleen Robinson, 3210 Balboa #1, San Francisco, CA 94121 <albuquerque@msn.com>.

OLD FRIENDS: Ray Nemec, 1424 Heatherton Dr., Naperville, IL 60563
<basebalray@aol.com> would like program schedules or logs of KFRU, Columbia, MO from the 1930's...Don Frey, 3404 West 9th Ct., Lawrence, KS 66049 still looking for shows from Doorway to Life; Four for the Fifth and Somebody Knows; also certain episodes from Columbia Present Corwin, FM&M; Jack Benny and others...Stu Weiss has a new radio show on the internet. He plays the "oldies" (music of the 50's & 60's) on Gold Radio. Just go to www.goldoldies.com We have a chat room and a phone line. Gold Radio is a 24 hour station so tune in anytime. If you have any problem getting on line or into the chat room call them at (732) 886-6834

Meanwhile Stu Weiss' Pop Shoppe is on every Friday from 8 pm till 1 am. Also alternate Wednesdays Jan 9 / 23rd, etc. Besides the music, the inter-active chat room is lots of fun. So tune in!...Bill Anthony, 1684 Beryl Dr., Pittsburgh, PA 15227 is looking for a video or audio of the college football game between the Univ. of Pittsburgh and the Univ. of Syracuse. Call (collect) if you have it (1-412-882-6135)

IN FOND MEMORY: Peggy Chantler Dick, Nov 20, 78; writer (Edgar Bergen) and co-creator of Hazel...John Guedel, Dec 15, 88; broadcast creator producer (House Party; People Are Funny; You bet Your Life)...Edward Downes, Dec 26, 90; Quizmaster on Metropolitan Opera...Peggy Lee, Jan 21, 81; composer, singer; had her own radio show in 1951.

Hello Again is \$15 a year and is published 6 times a year. The first issue appeared in April of 1970.

Write if you get work; and hang by your thumbs

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